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Belarus,* China, Russian Federation: amendment to draft resolution A/HRC/32/L.20

32/... The promotion, protection and enjoyment of human rights on the Internet

1. Seventh preambular paragraph

The paragraph *should read*

Noting that the exercise of human rights, in particular the right to freedom of expression and the right to privacy, on the Internet is an issue of increasing interest and importance as the rapid pace of technological development enables individuals all over the world to use new information and communications technologies,

2. Paragraph 1

The paragraph *should read*

1. *Affirms* that the same rights that people have offline must also be protected online, in particular freedom of expression and the right to privacy, in accordance with articles 17 and 19 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights;

3. Paragraph 15

The paragraph *should read*

15. *Decides* to continue its consideration of the promotion, protection and enjoyment of human rights, including the right to freedom of expression and the right to privacy, on the Internet and other information and communications technology, as well as of how the Internet can be an important tool for fostering citizen and civil society participation, for the realization of development in every community and for exercising human rights, in accordance with its programme of work.

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